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Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives regard the birth of a child as one of life's most joyful, rewarding, and miraculous events; and

Whereas, it is with both pride and pleasure that this legislative body pauses to acknowledge the arrival of a very special addition to the citizenry of this great nation; and

Whereas, Madeleine Okun entered this world at 8:30 a.m. on February 11, 2008, and received a delightful welcome from the smiling faces of her parents, Jacob and Monica Okun of New York, New York; and

Whereas, tipping the scales at seven pounds, one ounce, and measuring nineteen and one-half inches long, little Madeleine was pronounced the very picture of infant health and beauty by the professional staff at Lennox Hill Hospital; and

Whereas, news of Madeleine's birth soon warmed the hearts of other family members, including her brother, Nathan Okun; and her grandparents, Elvira Sterling, Dr. Henry Nguyen, and Songsong Nguyen; and

Whereas, Madeleine Okun will never lack love, support, or encouragement because of these wonderfully devoted relatives who will forever play an important part in the growth and development of this spectacular child in the years to come; and

Whereas, although she is only one month old, Madeleine Okun can rest assured that she has been blessed with the best family in the whole wide world:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending a very cordial Show-Me State welcome to Madeleine Okun and in offering our heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to her parents, Jacob and Monica Okun, upon the precious birth of their beautiful baby girl; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the parents of adorable, little Madeleine Okun, as a memento of her early days of American citizenship.

Offered by	
	Representative Jake Zimmerman
	District No. 83
Ninety-fou do certify t	on, Speaker of the House of Representatives, rth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, hat the above is a true and correct copy of House No. 995, adopted March 11, 2008.
Rod Jetton	, Speaker